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Model CAT16 Chip Resistor Array

Bourns, Inc. has added a second manufacturing location for its Model CAT16 chip arrays. Both locations use similar manufacturing processes.

Also, the standard part number CAT16-xxxJx with the addition of a “Z1” suffix (CAT16-xxxJxZ1) is now assigned to CAT16 units manufactured with palladium in the termination. Units containing palladium in the termination have been shown to have a smaller shift (1% maximum) in total resistance (TR) after exposure to a 4-5 ppm concentration of H2S for 250 hours.

If a smaller shift in TR after exposure to H2S is not a required feature for your application, you should continue to order the standard part number without a “Z1” suffix.

The data sheet for Model CAT16 will not be changed to reflect the small TR shift characteristic in the models containing palladium because the CAT16-xxxJxZ1 units are considered custom (non-standard) units.